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Data Developments

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County Business Patterns, 1996 [machine-readable data file] prepared by the Bureau of the Census. --Washington: The Bureau [producer and distributor], 1999

Type of File

Summary statistics.

Universe Description

The universe is all business establishments with one or more paid employees. Data are not included for agriculture production, railroad, most government, or household employment. **Data are tabulated by detailed industry based on the revised 1987 Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) designations.** (Data for the 1987 County Business Patterns and earlier years were based on the 1972 SIC designations.)

Subject-Matter Description

This file provides data on total number of establishments, mid-March employment, first quarter and annual payroll, and number of establishments by employment-size classes. Whereas data in *County Business Patterns* printed reports are not shown for SIC's with fewer than 100 employees in a given area, there is no such restriction on the data files. This series excludes governmental establishments classified in the covered industries except for liquor stores and wholesale liquor establishments operated by State and local governments; all government hospitals are included beginning with 1989 data.

Geographic Coverage

United States, 50 states, the District of Columbia, and counties. Data for Puerto Rico is released only in publication format.

Technical Description

File Medium: Computer tape.

File Structure: Rectangular.

File Size: The State file contains approximately 50,000 records. The county file contains approximately 1,000,000 records. The U.S. Summary file contains approximately 1,140 records.

File Sort Sequence: U.S. Summary File (formerly File 1B) 2-, 3-, and 4-digit SIC code. State File (formerly File 1B) FIPS State Code by 2-, 3-, and 4-digit SIC code. County File (formerly File 2) FIPS State Code by FIPS county code by 2-, 3-, and 4-digit SIC code.

Reference Materials

County Business Patterns, 1996 Technical Documentation. The documentation contains this abstract, other information about the file, a glossary, and data dictionaries. One copy accompanies each file order. When ordered separately, it is available from Marketing Services Office, Customer Services Center, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233. Telephone: 301-457-4100.

Related Printed Report:

U.S. Bureau of the Census. *County Business Patterns, 1996.* Fifty-three reports will be issued: one for each State, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and a U.S. Summary. These reports will be available from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402. Price varies by report. Contact Customer Services (301-457-4100) for ordering information. These reports also are available on the Census Bureau's Internet site at *http://www.census.gov*

Related Diskette Files

Selected County Business Patterns data are available on 3-1/2" diskettes in an IBM PC format. **The State and county files are available by 2-digit SIC code only.** For further information, contact Marketing Services Office, Customer Services Center, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233.

Related CD-ROM Files

County Business Patterns data are available in dBASE III+TM format on CD-ROM beginning with the 1986 series. For further information, contact Marketing Services Office, Customer Services Center, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233.

File Availability

The U.S. Summary and SMSA files are sold together by year(s) for 1975-1978, and U.S. Summaries only for 1979-1996. State and county data are available separately for each census geographic division by individual year, 1974-1996.

County Business Patterns files for the most recent years can be ordered from Marketing Services Office by using the Customer Services order form. When ordering, please include file name and year. Include the division number (see list below) if requesting county data for selected divisions only. Contact the National Archives (Telephone: 301-713-6630) for ordering and pricing information for data years prior to 1988.

<u>File Name</u>	<u>Year</u>
U.S. (formerly CBP 1B)	Specify Year 1979-1996
U.S./SMSA	Specify Year
(formerly CBP 1B/2) State	1975-1978 Specify Year
(formerly CBP 1B) County	1974-1996 Specify Veer
(formerly CBP 2)	Specify Year 1974-1996

Census Geographic Divisions

Division 1 Maine

New Hampshire Vermont Massachusetts

Rhode Island Connecticut

<u>Division 2</u> New York New Jersey Pennsylvania

Division 3 Ohio Indiana Illinois Michigan Wisconsin

Division 4 Minnesota Iowa Missouri North Dakota South Dakota Nebraska Kansas <u>Division 5</u> Delaware Maryland

District of Columbia

Virginia West Virginia North Carolina South Carolina Georgia Florida

<u>Division 6</u> Kentucky Tennessee Alabama Mississippi

Division 7 Arkansas Louisiana Oklahoma Texas Division 8 Montana Idaho Wyoming Colorado New Mexico Arizona Utah Nevada

Division 9 Washington Oregon California Alaska Hawaii